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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the government's announcement that all social restriction measures will be lifted from 19th July, I am writing to clarify the school's position for the last week of the summer term. The government has stated that from September the system of 'bubbles' is unnecessary but left it to schools to best judge the approach to use for the remainder of the summer term.

We will not be making any changes to either our bubble system or restrictions on all but necessary visitors to the site. This is due to the rapidly rising numbers, nationally and locally, and the fact that after having such a difficult year for children, families and staff, it is simply unfair to risk a very well earned rest and potentially booked holidays being impacted through the need for individuals to isolate after testing positive for COVID or being identified as a close contact.

Therefore:

- I am asking all adults in school to continue wearing a mask in school in common areas for the remainder of the term.
- We will maintain our current separation of children in bubbles
- We will maintain our decision not to have Year 6 parents attend our Leavers Assembly, but publish a Leavers' video instead.
- I ask that parents and carers dropping off and collecting children continue to wear masks.

We are delighted that from September, we will hopefully be returning very nearly to normal. We envisage being able to once again invite our families in with open arms and develop children's understanding and empathy by creating opportunities for them to mix with children older and younger than themselves.

In the meantime, I would like to thank you all for your continued understanding and support.

Best wishes,
Alun Randell
Head Teacher

